

So that's how Superman flies. . .

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Up, up, and away!



★ ON location in Milton Keynes, onlookers crowd Christopher Reeve.

IF YOU'VE ever wondered how they get those spectacular flying sequences in the "Superman" movies, these pictures will give you a clue.

They show heart-throb actor Christopher Reeve filming sequences for the latest epic *Superman IV*, at Britain's Elstree Studios.

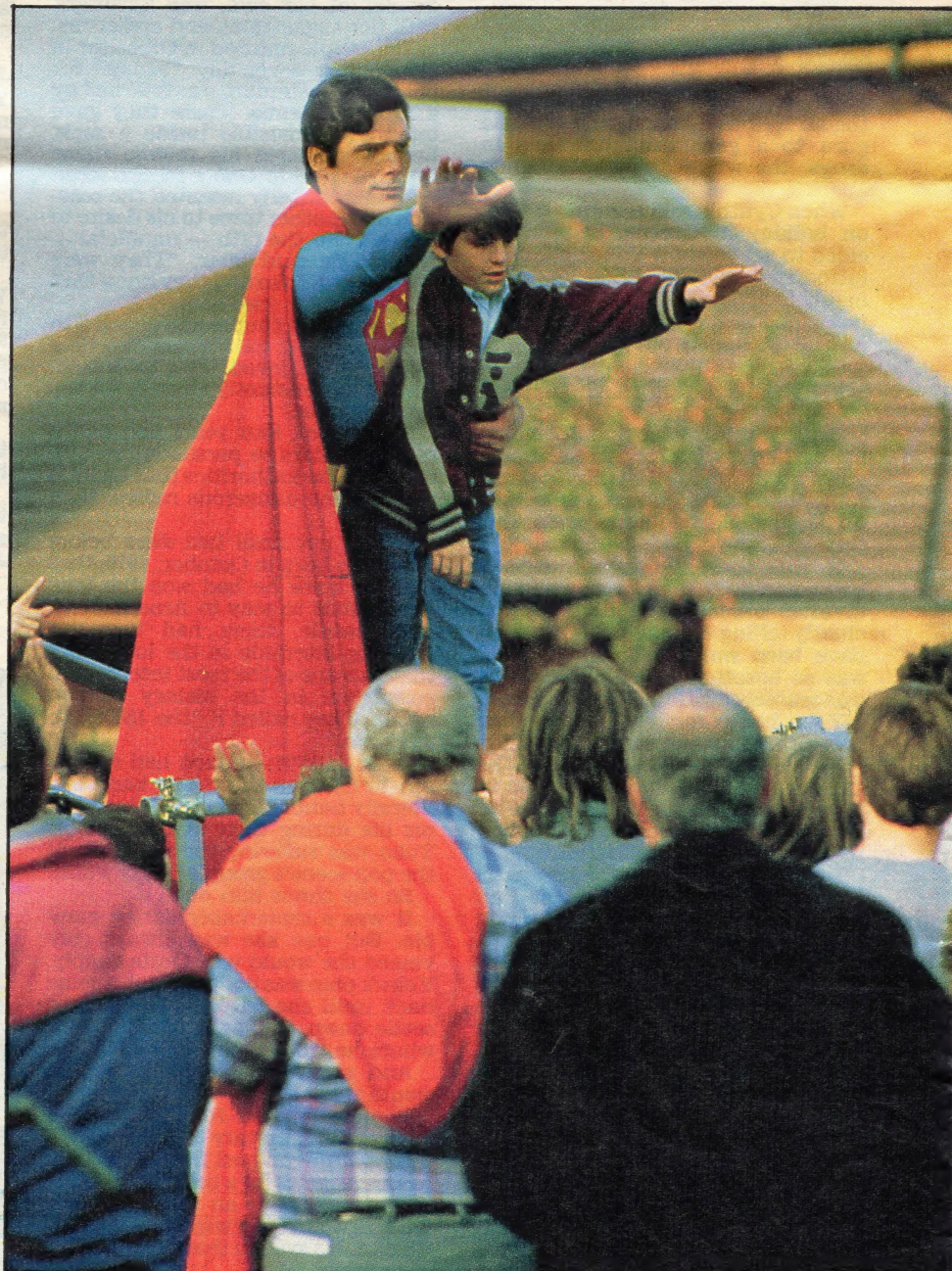
Hand outstretched in familiar pose,

Reeve seems to take off with a schoolboy sidekick.

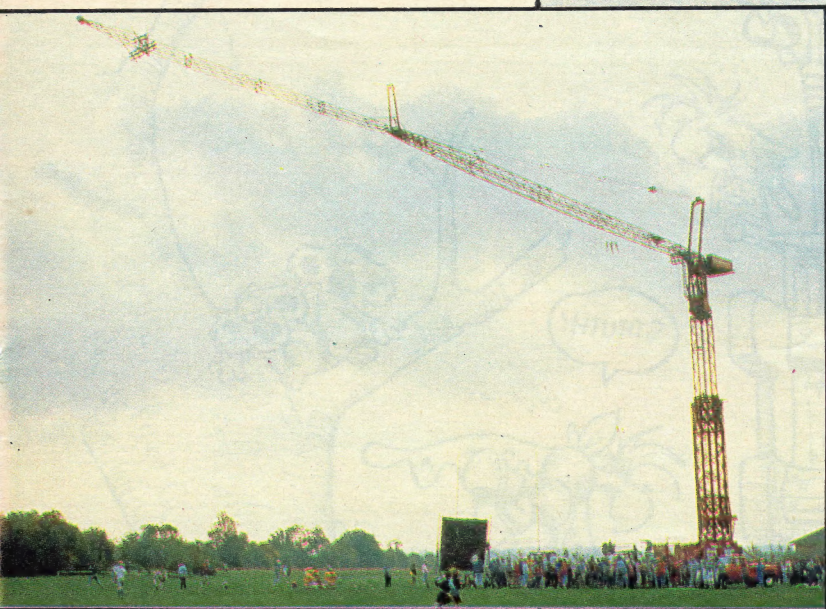
He flies through the air with the greatest of ease, over the roofs of Buckinghamshire — and the wires are barely visible.

As the pair touch down, the wires are just visible, but they will be cleverly masked out before the picture reaches the big screen.

A question mark hung over the future of the latest *Superman* movie,



★ **SUPERMAN** takes to the air with a schoolboy sidekick . . .



ABOVE: This crane and strong, thin wires provided Reeve with the necessary liftoff for his super role.

fourth in a line of box office money spinners. Christopher Reeve had hinted that he might not want the part of the American folk hero again.

But movie moguls obviously made him an offer he couldn't refuse, because the handsome star agreed to put his underpants over his trousers at least one more time!

Gene Hackman is starring in his second Superman stint, and Margot Kidder is Louis Lane once again.



★ **ABOVE:** Resplendent in red, Reeve waits for filming to start.

★ **RIGHT:** The wires will be masked out before this picture hits the screen.

